

LICENSED DIRECT-ENTRY MIDWIFE BOARD  
AUGUST 11, 2006  
MINUTES

CONDUCTING:	Holly Richardson
CONVENED:	1:13 p.m.
ADJOURNED:	2:15 p.m.
MEMBERS PRESENT:	Holly Richardson, Chair Vivian Giles Suzanne Smith
MEMBERS EXCUSED:	Krista Black Heather Johnston
DIVISION STAFF:	Laura Poe, Bureau Manager J. Craig Jackson, Division Director Ray Walker, Compliance Officer Shirlene Kimball, Secretary
GUESTS:	Michelle Mcomber, UMA Jewels Johnstun, LDEM Catherine Wheeler, MD Chris Miller, Midwife
<b><u>TOPIC OF DISCUSSION:</u></b>	<b><u>DECISIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS:</u></b>
RULES HEARING:	Rules Hearing was held at 1:13 p.m. and adjourned at 1:40 p.m.  Board meeting convened at 1:48 p.m.
JUNE 9, 2006 MINUTES:	Approved as written.
DISCUSSION REGARDING COMMENTS FROM RULES HEARING:	Board members discussed the comments from the Rules Hearing. The Division has received four e-mail comments from the public which support the proposed rule language. The e-mailed comments from physicians have not addressed the specific proposed Rules, but the concept of home birth. Dr. Wheeler indicated she still objects to the rules

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as currently written because they allow the LDEM to treat conditions that she would not consider to be normal. Ms. Richardson indicated that the LDEM knows what is normal according to midwifery standards of practice and when to refer. Ms. Smith made a Motion that unless new information that directly relates to the rules is received, the recommendation from the Board to the Division will be to adopt the Rules. Ms. Richardson seconded the Motion. All Board members in favor.

UPDATE REGARDING LICENSURE  
NUMBERS:

There are currently 10 Licensed Direct Entry Midwives.

REVIEW DRAFT LETTER TO BE  
SENT TO LICENSEES FOR  
INFORMATION TO BE PROVIDED TO  
THE HEALTH AND HUMAN  
SERVICES INTERIM COMMITTEE:

The draft letter was reviewed. Board members recommended adding to the requested information the total number of births. The information that must be provided to the Division and Board is a print-out of the data submitted to MANA from the date of licensure through August 31, 2006. The information is due to the Division by September 30, 2006. Board members will review the documentation received from the licensed Direct Entry Midwives at the next meeting. Ms. Poe indicated she will contact the Health and Human Services Interim Committee to find out when their report will be scheduled.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be scheduled for October 6, 2006 at 11:00 a.m.

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HOLLY RICHARDSON, CHAIR

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LAURA POE, BUREAU MANAGER

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